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Hon. Leo F. McGrath, Mayor
City Hall
Peabody, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I wish to present the following comparisons to you in regards to the change in working hours in this department as contained in the ordinance approved recently by the City Council.

Under the Two Platoon System, in effect prior to May 31, 1942, the 39 officers and men of the department worked an average of 84 hours per week, or a total of 3276 hours.

The installation of the ten-group plan on May 31, 1942, reduced the total working hours to 2620.8, each man working an average of 67.2 hours per week. This reduced the total hours by 655.2.

Under the proposed 56 hour week, the 39 men and officers would work a total of 2184 hours per week. The difference between the 2184 hours under the 56 hour week, and the 3276 hours under the Two Platoon System is 1092 hours per week.

This reduction of 1092 hours, divided by the 56 hours each man would work, gives a reduction in manpower of $19\frac{1}{2}$ men.

Hoping that these comparisons will be of assistance to you in evaluating the proposed change in hours, I am,

Respectfully yours,

WCM/m

William C. Mahoney
Chief of Department